GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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EXPANSION OF INDORE AIRPORT
Singh Shri Ganesh

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the Government of Madhya Pradesh for expansion of Indore Airport;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

(c) whether the Government is considering to upgrade the indore Airport as an International Airport;

(d) if so, whether the air cargo facility is likely to be provided there; and

(e) if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

- MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) State Government of Madhya Pradesh has requested to upgrade Indore Airport for International operations and also to declare it as an International Airport. The existing airport at Indore is suitable for operations of A-320/B-737-800 type of aircrafts. As no airline operator has demanded to provide facilities for International operations, there is no proposal to declare it as an International Airport at present.

(d) & (e) Although cargo handling facilities are available, it is not in use by domestic airlines. Provision of cargo complex for international flights is contingent on demand.